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## EMPLOYES FOUND NOT UP TO MARK Washington Swelters With

Ax Threatens Many Clerks in **Department of Commerce** and Labor.

**FULLY 10 PER CENT** MARKED AS DEFICIENT FOUR PROSTRATIONS IN CITY

Besult of Reports Made by Chiefs to Secretary Nagel.

MANY WILL BE REDUCED

Every Case to Be Passed Upon on Its Merits, With Dismissal the Penalty Unless Work

Improves.

Approximately 10 per cent of the employes of the Department of Commerce and Labor, in and out of Washington, are involved unfavorably in the reports made to Secretary Nagel by the bureau chiefs of the department. In brief, this means that the employes reported upon unfavorservice or reduced in rank from the positions which they now occupy.

Some time ago Secretary Nagel called reports show, in some instances, a serious discrepancy from the work that reasonciency reports were called for the work week just ending." accomplished by the various bureaus has increased, according to the statement der showers prevailed today in Marypartment, fully 30 per cent. This indi- the Ohio valey and the south. Showcates to the executive officials of the department that a fair amount of work heretofore has not been done by all of the employes of the various bureaus. and Assistant Secretary McHarg to use at 83 degrees and went steadily upthe ax indiscriminately, but they have ex- ward, until at 2 o'clock p.m. it reached pressed a determination to obtain for the 91. The mercury reached its highest government a fair day's labor for the sal-

All Are Liable.

department will not be dismissed from and was still going down, with cooling the service at the beginning of the new breezes prevailing. per cent who are unfavorably mentioned reau's downtown kiosk began its unward in the reports on the bureau chiefs will be liable to dismissal unless his work im- and reached the 102 point at 2 o'clock proves to the satisfaction of the depart- p.m. At 4 o'clock it had reached 104. said, will be passed upon on its merits, although in ninety-nine cases out of every hundred the recommendations of the bureau chiefs will be accepted as

Secretary Nagel and Assistant Secretary McHarg had a conference yesterday at which the matter was discussed at length. No announcement of the action of the officials will be made prior to the beginning of the new fiscal year, when the dismissals or reductions will be promulgated in the ordinary way.

Dr. Charles P. Neill, Commissioner of Labor, said that the percentage of inefficient clerks in his bureau would probthe cause was chiefly old age. . There were, he said, some employes whose habits prevented their giving the service that the department required, but that their number was neither greater nor less than the average in the other departments generally. He said his report had not yet been rendered to the secretary, and that it had just about been completed. He was not as yet familiar with its details, because he had not yet had a chance to carefully examine the report.

### In the Census Bureau.

Director of the Census E. Dana Du- pital. rand, who was found at the Cosmos Club last night, told a Star reporter that he had been so busy at the Capitol in connection with the census bill that he had ficient and believed that from his brief knowledge of the situation the clerks at the census office were no better nor no worse on an average than those of the There were doubtless some who had outlived their usefulness and were more or less disqualified by age, others whose habits were open to question and still others who for one reason or another did not do their fair share of work. These would all be dealt with in a manner appropriate to each case. Director Durand said the inquiry as to the efficiency of the clerks, he thought, had been made two months ago, at the but he could not speak as to the reports made by the several bureau chiefs.

### No Special . Commission.

There had been no special commission difficulty assigned to investigate the clerks, he dressed to each bureau head to make for the census office had either been made by Mr. North or Mr. Rossiter, but he could not speak as to details. He was somewhat familiar with conditions in the bureau of corporations and thought that the clerical force in that Kelly said: bureau was far ahead of the average, lected for appointment in it because of crime as any man in the hearing of my their peculiar fitness for the work. He thought the average of those who were considered below the standard was exceedingly small, if, indeed, any were deemed to be such in that bureau.

Statement by Assistant Secretary. Ormsby McHarg, assistant secretary of Commerce and Labor, declared last night that the report that many clerks in the Jury Fails to Agree in Downs Case. department are found to be inefficient is true and predicted that July 1 there will be a large number of dismissals, many others demoted and others told they will be dismissed unless their work during the next sixty days proves them worth

Mr. Mci arg declared that he initiated the investigation as to inefficiency in the department, because he had noticed that many of the clerks did their work in a perfunctory manner, and did not give proper attention to their duties. The inefficient ones, he declares, are not the older employes, but rather those under

thirty years of age. The inefficiency, he declared, has been found chiefly in the census bureau and

# HOTTEST DAY OF YEAR

Mercury at 104 Degrees.

SHOWERS PROMISED TODAY

But No General Breaking of Hot Spell Is in Sight.

Victims Removed to Hospitals for Treatment-Many Animals Are Stricken in the Streets.

Temperature Y	esterday.
Downtown	Weather
Kiosk.	Bureau
90 9 a.m.	
92 10 a.m.	
94	
98 12 noon	
	90
	94
	91
	91
	90
	84

The highest temperature of the season was reached at 4 o'clock yesterably will be either dismissed from the day afternoon downtown, when the kiosk thermometer on Pennsylvania avenue registered 104 degrees. At the weather bureau the maximum was 94 degrees. Slight and temporary relief from the upon the bureau chiefs of his department intense heat is promised today in the for reports on the efficiency of the em- form of thunder showers, according to ployes in their several departments. These Forecaster Bowie of the weather bureau. "There will be no decided cool," Prof. sizzling heat. There will be no breaking ably ought to be accomplished in the bu- of the general hot spell. The coming reaus. Curiously enough, since the effi- week may be somewhat cooler than the

The forecaster said there was a strong hot wave in the southwest, while thuners, with thunder and lightning, may also be expected in this vicinity to-

The official temperature as given out by It is not the purpose of Secretary Nagel the weather bureau yesterday started in point at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when it registered 94. It then took a downward course, until at 9 o'clock While 10 per cent of the employes of the last night it had receded to the 81 mark.

The thermometer in the weather budegrees. The mercury mounted upward sociation of Commerce, as follows: ment authorities. Every case, it may be After that hour the mercury commenced to go downward, reaching 86 at 10 o'clock

> Four Heat Prostrations. There were four heat prostrations in

this city yesterday, but no fatalities were recorded

Samuel Harris, colored, fifty-six years of age, of 916 3d street northwest, was taken to the Emergency Hospital shortly before noon yesterday from 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest. While trimming coal shortly before 10 o'clock yesterday morning Adam Lareum,

colored, twenty-five years of age, of 2734 Rock court northwest, was overcome by ably be as high as 10 per cent, and that the heat and removed to the Emergency Hospital. Ernest Houser, forty-seven years old, of

237 Q street northwest, was removed to similar or competitive lines of business."

the Emergency Hospital from the grounds of the Agricultural Department at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. He was suffering from heat exhaustion, but his condition was not serious. While working in a planing mill at

of age, of 1213 K street, was overcome. He was made so ill that he had to be removed to Georgetown University Hos-

### Many Animals Overcome.

A number of horses were overcome by the heat yesterday, several of them dropping on the streets. In many instances tion by the express terms of the law. not really had the time to look carefully drivers were warned against overworking Much to the disappointment of the Seninto the details of the report from his animals, but despite the good attention ate leaders the corporation tax amendbureau. He doubted that so high as 10 given them it was impossible to save as it was impossible to complete the tarper cent of the clerks had been found de- them from suffering. Agents of the iff schedules Saturday evening. Coton, Washington Humane Society were on the cotton ties and bagging and one or two alert during the day to advise drivers of other contested items went over until animals that they should use every pre- Monday, and on that day the iron schedcaution About 5 o'clock in the afternoon a Cummins to offer some amendments.

horse drawing a delivery wagon belonging to a local express company fell on D street, while another animal fell near the corner of 14th and E streets. In each instance there were many volunteers to assist in the work of treating the animals. A horse belonging to Michael Raedy of Northeast Washington had an exciting exand M streets, yesterday afternoon. It is instance of Assistant Secretary McHarg; thought that the animal was suffering so much from the heat that its strength failed, causing it to tumble over the emthe equine was rescued only after some

#### thought, but an inquiry had been ad- DECLARES PARTNER INNOCENT. the investigation and report himself. That Sensational Incident Attending Sen-

tencing of Two for Murder. PALATKA, Fla., June 26.-When James Kelly and D. M. Davidson were sentenced today to life imprisonment for murder,

"I accept the verdict of the jury, but asdue to the fact that men had been se- for Davidson, he is as innocent of this city, where he had been sent by a mag-

> voice." The men were convicted of the murder of W. C. Sellars, a night watchman of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, three years ago at High Springs, Fla. The three were in conversation together and there was doubt as to where the fatal

shot came from.

BALTIMORE, Md., June 26 .- For the second time a jury in the criminal court today failed to agree as to the guilt or innocence of William F. Downs, a former clerk in the city register's office, of the charge of stealing city funds. The total alleged defalcation in the register's office was \$67,000, of which Downs is accused of having taken \$25,000. He was tried on one indictment charging him with the theft of \$1,000. There are thirty-five indictments pending against him

### Murder Suspects Escape.



HOT-WEATHER DEVICES.

posed Measure Would Be an Act of Great Injustice.

The first protests against the proposed corporation tax amendment came in yestrip at 9 o'clock, when it registered 90 Skinner, president of the Chicago As- brought before the municipal court, portant matters. He will return to this

composed of 3,000 firms, corporations and grand jury. individuals, today passed the following

as copartnerships engaged in exactly the struggle and his watch was stolen.

burden upon mercantile, manufacturing and industrial corporations and omits the individual and copartnership engaged in BILLS BEFORE GEORGIA HOUSE

uation which exists in many large cities Wisconsin avenue and K street yesterday stores and wholesale houses are incorafternoon James Payne, forty-nine years porated, while their equally strong rivals are conducted as copartnerships. Under the proposed law the corporations will not only be taxed, but will have to make public their earnings, expenses, debts and general details of business in their annual reports, which, when filed with the commissioner of internal revenue, become public records and open for inspecment will not be taken up next Monday, ule will be reopened to enable Senator

> The most optimistic Senate leaders give corporation tax, but no one knows how

perience at the Rock Creek dump, 25th the great constitutional lawyers, such as Bacon, Bailey, Rayner and others to tackle; revenue questions for Senator Aldrich to explain and the general features of interest to the public at large ban hent into the water. After its bath tures of interest to the public at large revolver about his person without a party that ventured far into "Rockhouse" the equine was rescued only after some for all the guardians in the Senate of revolver about his person without a party that ventured far into "Rockhouse"

### ESCAPED LEPER FOUND.

House of Correction.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 26 .today in the house of correction of this istrate on a minor charge. The boy's nails excited the curiosity of another prisoner and to him Clark admitted his identity. The matter was reported to the board of health was sent for. The latter took the boy tack to the Camden poorhouse.

escaping from the Camden institution he crossed the ferry to this city and made his way to Fairmount Park and for three nights camped out. ne was arrested by a park guard and sent to the house of correction for vagrancy. The health authorities say that Clark since his admission to the house of correction worked in the stone quarries and that there is no danger of the disease spreading to any inmate of the institution.

Ocean Line Official's Funeral. BREMEN, June 26 .- The funeral of tional Rockingham Junction murder three of the North German Lloyd line. He

## made by an important official of the de- land, Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey, CORPORATION TAX IS OPPOSED HOLD-UP IN HEART OF BOSTON TAKAHIRA TO VISIT

FIRST PROTEST FROM CHICAGO FOUR BANDITS BOARD TROLLEY GOES TO CONSULT FOREIGN OF-ASSOCIATION OF COMMERCE.

3,000 Firms and Others Claim Pro- Officer Gives Chase and Captures Revision of Treaty of Commerce and

"The Chicago Association of Commerce, were held in \$2,000 bonds each for the

same business are not so taxed.

of Commerce vigorously protests against chase and caught Lannon and Cahill. The treaty, as this country will be in a posisuch legislation which places a serious other two escaped. and industrial corporations and omits the

Cites Situation Elsewhere.

It is said that the foregoing cites a sit-

Constitutional Questions.

long will really be required. There are constitutional questions for accidents or other unavoidable causes.

Charles Clark, the seventeen-year-old leper who recently escaped from the Camden, N. J., poorhouse, was found crippled hands, his missing eyebrows and house management and Dr. Cairns of the

The youth told Dr. Cairns that after

AND ROB PASSENGER.

Two-Held in \$2,000 Bonds for Grand Jury.

BOSTON, June 26 .- A story of a bold hold-up on a city trolley car was told terday. Historis representatives received today when Joseph Lannon and Edward for a visit to Japan, the foreign office acting as agents of the United States. copies of a telegram from Edward W. Cahill, twenty-one years of age, were desiring to consult him about various imcharged with highway robbery. The men city in about three or four months.

Alfred W. Sacco, an interpreter in the resolution and instructed me to forward superior court, and a friend, Joseph T. Calobro, were in a trolley car coming "Whereas there is a proposition before down Washington street, in the heart of passports, the application of the Japanese the effect that the District of Columbia, way he can assist her. Congress to tax the net incomes of cor- the city, early today, when four men porations and whereas such a proposed boarded the car. They engaged Sacco tax, especially as applied to mercantile, and Calobro in conversation, and in the manufacturing and industrial corpora- midst of the talk made an attack. Sacco tions, would be an act of great injustice, was badly bruised about one eye in the

A policeman saw the trouble, and as

ONE AIMS AT INTOXICATED PERSONS DRIVING AUTOS.

"Pistol Toting" Receives Attention in Another Measure—Provision for Biennial Sessions.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 26.-In the opening rush of bills placed before the Georgia house of representatives today were the

To prohibit intoxicated persons from

day to provide mosquito bars for every bed between May 1 and November 1. A fight on he hours of cotton mill operatives was forecasted in a bill by Repreten days or two weeks of debate on the hibit such operatives from working more than ten hours per day except when necessary to make up lost time due to

### As to "Pistol Toting." "Pistol toting" was taken up in a bill

Of interest to hunters who in season

of the owner of the land. Another bill provides for biennial ses-

#### CHEERS GREET THE VERDICT. Will Biggers Acquitted of Charge of Meeting of Czar and Kaiser Pro-Murdering J. G. Hood.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., June 26.-After LONDON, June 26.-Lord Rosebery's being out exactly four and one-half hours "ominous hush" has been slightly disthe jury in the case of Will Biggers for turbed this week by two imperial utterthe murder of J. G. Hood this afternoon ances. It sounds both cynical and parreturned a verdict of not guilty. The an- adoxical to say that the kaiser's loud trial next week of the case of the Andrew motives of robbery. Neither is there any nouncement of the verdict was greeted proclamation of his peaceful policy Helgelein estate against Wesley Fogle, widespread idea of premeditation. The with cheers, the courtroom being trans-formed into a scene of wild confusion. bension in the diplomatic world, but dip-Woman friends and relatives of the pris- lomatists have good memories, and they the South Dakota ranchman before she oner crowded around him and wept from point out the peculiar coincidence that on sheer joy. When Judge Councill had such helm has made a particularly strong ceeded in restoring order he thanked the peace declaration during the past few the Norwegian Orphanage in Chicago jurors for their work and adjourned

Boy Drowns Trying to Save Negro. POTTSVILLE, Pa., June 26.-Clarence Penn, a negro lad, twelve years of age. Carl Kluepfel of New York took place while bathing in the lower Tumbling for doubting his sincerity, despite the here today. He was connected with the Run dam, about thirty feet from the fact that his utterance is coincident with CONCORD, N. H., June 26 .- Joseph firm of Oelrichs & Co. of New York city, shore, late this afternoon, became ex-Gouin of Dover, implicated in the sensa- and was head of the freight department hausted. He called for help and Clar-The plan, he said, is to introduce good business methods into the department. In the future, he declared, bureau chiefs will be held responsible for the work perwill be held be a ble to the permit and the work perwill be held be a ble to the permit be a ble to th ence Shuster, white, of the same age,

## FICE AT TOKIO.

Navigation One Subject for Discussion.

One of the subjects to be discussed by

the foreign office with the ambassador is

United States a decided advantage in countries, and perhaps in addition.

### Japan Anxious for Treaty.

Japan would like very much to start negotiations now with the United States erty in the state. with a view to revision, so that the new istration is not disposed to make such prisoners committed to the institutions. concession.

The Japanese have started in with great earnestness in the preliminary work of treaty revision, and already there has been appointed a general board to deal with the subject. Japan is considering the raising of her tariff rates, a matter Baron Takahira will leave the United States when Congress adjourns and will go home by way of Seattle. He will be accompanied by Mme. Takahira and Mr. Yoshida, the third secretary of the embassy. Baron Takahira came to the missioners. It was decided to ask the To require hotel, boarding house and he represented his country as minister, inn keepers charging more than \$1.50 per so that he had not an opportunity to consult personally the foreign office before undertaking his work in the United

## HUMAN FORM PETRIFIED. Gruesome Find in a Cave in

Georgia. CORDELE, Ga., June 26 .- A perfectly preserved petrified human form, believed to be the remains of an Indian, together providing that no person shall carry a today discovered by a local exploring ing for a municipal corporation which is cave, eight miles southeast of this place Romantic mystery has always attached come to Georgia in large numbers was to this natural underground cavity. The a bill making it unlawful for any person day ventured several hundred feet into Had Been Committed to Philadelphia to hunt, fish, trap, net or kill birds or a mysterious chain of passageways. In fish from any lands without the consent the limestone walls a gruesome sight was presented by the protruding remains of scores of human beings. The petri- today on the Gunness farm in order to fied form weighed several hundred pounds sions of the legislature. The sessions are and it was impossible for the party to remove it.

#### PEACE PROCLAIMED LOUDLY. vokes London Comment.

years it has been preliminary to some aggressive move by Germany in international affairs which has disturbed and alarmed Europe This time, however, the czar has joined

in proclaiming himself an ardent apostle of peace, and there is no good reason laying down four Dreadnoughts of the largest dimensions in the yards at the mouth of the Neva.

## Jurisdiction Involved Unless

Title Vests in United States.

PURCHASE IS HELD UP

Attorney General to Decide if New

Legislation Is Needed.

DAWSON TRACT DECIDED ON

Virginia Laws Would Give District No Doubt That Supposed Slayer Was of Columbia Merely Rights of Individual Owner.

'Additional legislation by Congress, with attending delays, it has been discovered by District officials, may be necessary before title is taken to the land in Virginia or Maryland as the sites for the new penal institutions for the District. The essential question at issue is whether or not title to the sites can be taken in the name of the United States. If title cannot be so taken, it is doubtful if the District can maintain jurisdiction over prisoners in the institutions outside

of the District depend whether additional legislation by Woodill. Congress is necessary. Until the matter | Today the jewels worn by the woman, is decided by the head of the federal at the time of her disappearance were Department of Justice, the purchase of found in a pawn shop in Baltimore, placed

Provisions of Law. the District appropriation act adopted at the last Congress it is pro-

"The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby authorized and directed to purchase two tracts of land, widely separated, of not less than 1,000 acres each, either or both of which to be situated in the state of Maryland or the state of Virginia."

After the Commissioners had decided to accept what is known as the Dawson tract in Virginia as the site for the work- over to St. Michaels. house, an order was issued by the Commissioners providing for the transfer of title of the land to "the United States." When the District auditor, Alonzo Tweedale, received a copy of this order the legal tangle began to develop.

He looked in the provision in the appropriation act for something about the taking of title to the penal institution sites in the name of the United States, but found nothing. Neither did it say Baron Kegoro Takahira, the Japanese that in establishing the new workhouse ambassador will soon leave Washington the Commissioners of the District are

Laws Give No Help.

Auditor Tweedale then began to search the law books to learn the exact status of the District and of the Commissioners that of a revision of the treaty of com- as regards the United States. He found merce and navigation with the United that all the legal decisions and laws States, which, with a protocol regarding which throw light on the matter are to tariff to American imports, etc., will ex- although a creature of the Congress of the United States, is a municipal cor-Japan has treaties along similar lines poration, and that the Commissioners, although appointed by the President of with the other great powers, but by a the United States, are officers of the singular coincidence they expire by limita- municipal corporation only, and are not tion in 1910, a year earlier than in the in any sense agents of the United States. case of the United States. This gives the But Mr. Tweedale's plunge into law he was charged with grand larceny, and "Resolved, That the Chicago Association the robbers leaped from the car gave dealing with Japan in the revision of its the laws and constitution of the state forfeited by flight, arrived upon the of Virginia and could find nothing to tion to demand concessions made to other indicate that the District of Columbia. holding title to land in the state, had any more rights as regards police jurisdiction and other matters of vital importance in the maintenance of a penal institution, than a private owner of prop-

This made it necessary that title to the treaty may become operative at the same workhouse and reformatory should be in time as those negotiated with the other the name of the United States, if jurisgovernments, but the Washington admin- diction was still to be maintained over

Complications Apprehended.

It became evident that writs of habeas corpus might be numerous in securing sponsible. workhouse and reformatory, unless the of importance to the United States, in question of jurisdiction was settled propview of the export trade to that country. erly at the start. It was also believed matter. With all his disclaimer of reby the District on the sites selected. The question was explained to the Com-

> by the District courts. Should the Attorney General decide that the act will not permit the taking of clutches of his pursuers. title to the land in the name of the United States, it is pointed out, additional

legislation will be necessary. This would find if other persons really were in any provide that the Commissioners shall buy way connected with the crime. the sites and maintain the penal institutions as agents of the United States, and that the District courts, in sending an agent of the United States.

LAPORTE, Ind., June 26.-After a lapse of eight months digging was resumed

settle positively whether bodies of table were set for two. Plates, cups and any more victims of the arch-murderess saucers were there and unused. are in the private burial ground from which ten have already been taken. No success attended the efforts of Asle K. Helgelein of Aberdeen, S. D.; Mrs. Emma Larson of Chicago and Attorney Olof E. night before. There was no mention of a Ray of Chicago, who conducted the dig- party.

Helgelein, brother of Andrew Helgelein. the last known victim of Mrs. Bella Gun- as 11 o'clock Saturday night. ness; Mrs. Larson, sister of Mrs. Gunness, and Attorney Ray are here for the Gunness is alleged to have obtained from afternoon. murdered him. Mrs. Larson and two sisters in Norway

having refused a bequest made in the woman's will on the ground that it is blood money.

La Crosse Strike Trouble Settled. LA CROSSE, Wis., June 26 .- The street railway strike was settled late this afternoon, thus averting a threatening situa- Woodill had lingered longer in the east tion in which calling out of state troops than either she or her husband had in-to preserve order was being considered. An agreement was reached to run the Eastman, had decided at last to go away loudly throughout Europe. Never also has there been a situation which Patrick Henry's memorable phrase so fittingly all points on which the company and a death in the bungalow.

## PENAL SITES TANGLE STORY OF DEAD MAN GAINS NO CREDENCE

FIVE CENTS.

Believed That Eastman Planned Cunning Tale to Divert Suspicion From Self.

MRS. WOODILL'S JEWELS **PAWNED IN BALTIMORE** 

Man Who Offered Them.

WIDOW ARRIVES AT EASTON

Fight for Possession of Broker's Body-Claimant Seeks to Recover New York's Reward

for Fugitive.

ST. MICHAELS, Md., June 26 .- Telltale shafts of light continued today to filter in upon the tragedy of the lonely bungalow at Broad creek.

As the tangled skeins of the story are To the Attorney General of the United picked up one by one they tend more States the tangle has finally to be left and more to dissipate the claim advanced for decision by the officials of the Dis- by Fobert Eastman that it was a woman trict government. Upon his opinion will and not he who killed Edith May

the site already chosen for the work- there last Tuesday by a man who anhouse on Occoquan river, in Virginia, is swered fully the description of Eastman. The man secured \$200 on the two diamond rings and an oriental pearl brooch. Two nundred dollars which Mrs. ill had in her possession when she ken her foster father's home last week is missing. Eastman repaid a loan last week of \$200. When he returned here

> seemed plentifully supplied with money. Mrs. Eastman at Easton. Mrs. Eastman arrived at Easton, ten miles from here, by train tonight from New York, but did not attempt to come

from Baltimore on Tuesday night he

It had been planned that the burial of Eastman's body should take place late tonight beneath the scrubby pines of his own farm, near the unfinished bungalow where Mrs. Woodill met her death. But the non-arrival of Mrs. Eastman caused a postponement until omorrow. The authorities also want to com-

municate with District Attorney Jerome at New York regarding the reward offered by the state of New York for Eastman's arrest on largeny charges. The final inquest will be held tomorrow afternoon. No churchyard of the Eastern shore

Superstitious negroes of the community refused to dig his grave. Two white laborers finally were induced today to undertake the task. Mrs. Eastman has secured a local attorney to look after her interests in her husband's property and any other

will open its gates for Eastman's body.

Fight Over Body.

There promised for a time today to be a fight for the legal custody of Eastman's attorney who represented Eastman when' books did not end there. He sought out who secured for him the bail which he scene, and, acting for Mrs. Ida S. Ecstein of New York, one of the sureties who lost heavily by the forfeiture of the bond, demanded the custody of the body in order that he might make delivery of it to the New York authorities, by whom a reward of \$1,500 had been offered.

The local authorities declined to give up

the body. The letter of the suicide, in which he gave to his wife his version of the killing of Mrs. Woodill by-a jealous woman, was made public today, and deeply impressed many who read its circumstantial account of the tragedy, for which the writer claims he was in no way re-

Foreman Radcliffe of the coroner's jury declared himself convinced of the truth of the strange missive, and urged the authorities to investigate further into the that no money should be paid out for the sponsibility, however, Eastman admitted purchase of land until it was certain that in the letter that he did not dare take penal institutions could be maintained the chance of a trial, and had decided to "draw the curtain forever."

While many others were as deeply impressed as the jury foreman, the search-United States directly from Rome, where Attorney General of the United States to ing investigations of the authorities fail determine whether, under the act, title to substantiate any of Eastman's claims. to the land in Virginia or Maryland can The state's attorney and the members of be taken by the Commissioners in the the coroner's jury cominue to withhold name of the United States and jurisdic- the contents of the two letters found tion over prisoners sent there maintained upon Eastman after his spectacular suicide in the little skiff in which he had hoped to elude for a time, at least, the They declare they wish to exhaust every clue and to leave no stone unturned to

Heard One Woman's Voice.

The witness, William, Sutton, who it was with numerous skeletons and bones, was prisoners to the new institutions, are act-said last night had heard a party of men and women merrymaking in the bungalow Sunday night, declared today that it was late Saturday night that he RESUME SEARCH FOR VICTIMS. went to visit Eastman's place and that he heard only the voices of one man and ence outside the house known and went

away. When the cabin was searched, following the discovery of the body, places at th Eastman, when he returned Sunday morning the team he had borrowed to meet Mrs. Woodill with Saturday, spoke to his neighbor of the fact that he had had a girl visitor at his bungalow the

Passers-by saw lights through the shaded windows of the bungalow as late There is no serious thought here that Eastman killed Mrs. Woodill through two were heard to quarrel as they drove

away from Royal Oak station Saturday Attorney Rosenthal, whose client Eastman was, declared tonight that Eastman had known the murdered girl prior to her marriage with Woodill, and said he believed Eastman had visited her in Callfornia after her marriage. The girl knew much of Eastman's past life-knew him as an accused swindler and embezzler and

a fugitive from justice. The theory is advanced that in the course of their quarreling the girl threat-ened to disclose the identity of the man, who had taken the name of Roberts. There is the theory, too, that while Mrs.

Motor Boat Observed. D. Ashton Plummer of this place saw